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FOR THE SIXTH CIRCUIT

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Re: Case No. 24-1398, *Valerie Kloosterman v. Metropolitan Hospital, et al*  
Originating Case No. : 1:22-cv-00944

Dear Counsel,

This appeal has been docketed as case number **24-1398** with the caption that is enclosed on a separate page. The appellate case number and caption must appear on all filings submitted to the Court. If the filing fee was not paid when the notice of appeal was filed, it must be paid to the district court immediately.

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At this stage of the appeal, the following forms should be downloaded from the web site and filed with the Clerk's office by **May 20, 2024**. Additionally, the transcript order must be completed by that date. For further information and instructions on ordering transcript electronically, please visit the court's website.

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| Appellant: | Appearance of Counsel<br>Civil Appeal Statement of Parties & Issues<br>Disclosure of Corporate Affiliations<br>Application for Admission to 6th Circuit Bar (if applicable) |
| Appellee:  | Appearance of Counsel<br>Disclosure of Corporate Affiliations<br>Application for Admission to 6th Circuit Bar (if applicable)   |

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More specific instructions are printed on each form. If appellant's initial forms are not timely filed or necessary fees paid, the appeal will be dismissed for want of prosecution. If you have questions after reviewing the forms and the rules, please contact the Clerk's office for assistance.

Sincerely yours,

s/Robin L Baker  
Case Manager  
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cc: Mr. Jonathon A. Rabin

Enclosure

**OFFICIAL COURT OF APPEALS CAPTION FOR 24-1398**

VALERIE KLOOSTERMAN

Plaintiff - Appellant

v.

METROPOLITAN HOSPITAL, dba University of Michigan Health - West, dba Metro Health - University of Michigan Health; RAKESH PAI, individually and in his official capacity as President, Medical Group & Chief Population Health Officer at Univeristy of Mlchigan Health-West; RHAE-ANN BOOK, individually and in her official capacity as Vice President of Diveristy, Equality, and Inclusion at Univeristy of Mlchigan Health-West; MARIA COLE, individually and in her official capacity as Director of Human Resources at Univeristy of Mlchigan Health-West; THOMAS PIERCE, individually and in his official capacity as Diveristy, Equity & Inclusion Coordinator at Univeristy of Mlchigan Health-West; CATHERINE SMITH, individually and in her official capacity as a member of the Advanced Practice Providers' Council at Univeristy of Mlchigan Health-West

Defendants - Appellees